



# The Grange

## NEWSLETTER

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### EVENTS

When you are planning your holiday activities with family and friends this season, don't forget A CELEBRATION on December 11 and 12, from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each day. The Gallery will be full of activities. It will be featuring, amongst other things, The Grange sale table with our preserves, bake goods and crafts. But that is not all; there will be art displays, music, films and cooking demonstrations as well. Last year's Christmas Festival was a great success, and we hope that this year's will be even better.

Please take time to come to hear DANIEL HYATT when he presents A CHRISTMAS TREAT in the Music Room of The Grange on December 8 from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. This is a repeat of the very successful Christmas Carol programme that was given in The Walker Court two years ago. Mr. Hyatt will provide a portable organ to accompany the sing-along. Refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$4.00 for members and \$6.00 for non-members.

THE GRANGE will again be decorated for Christmas with seasonal greenery. Emmy Lind and her group plan to have it completed for November 30. The previous decorations were so attractive that the periodical CANADIAN COLLECTOR used The Grange Main Hall on their December cover for 1981. A Christmas slide talk will be given each day in The Music Room during the holidays. Anne Mills and Andrée Accette have organized a collection of children's books, which will be on display in the glass cases outside of The Music Room. The books contain stories, fables, manners and morals, which were written between 1790 and 1860. The books have been loaned to The Grange by "The Osborne Collection of Early Children's Books".

A new series of SLIDE TALKS will begin January 13, 1983 at 10:30 a.m. in The Music Room. There will be a repeat showing at 6:00 p.m. on the same day. It is planned that they will be held on the second Thursday of each month both in the ~~evening~~ and evening. This is a review of the many slide talks pertaining to The Grange, and each one will be followed by a discussion.

The last one of the AUTUMN LUNCHEON/LECTURES will be held in The Music Room of The Grange between 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7.00.

Wednesday, December 1, 1982.  
Andrée Accette and Lucienne  
Watt will present - Christmas  
Traditions.

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MISCELLANEOUS

First and foremost in the Miscellaneous section are the upcoming festivities for A CELEBRATION. The Grange contributions have been organized by Mary Aziz. So the question is: Have you remembered to bring in your items for the sale, and have you signed Mary's timetable in the Staff Room so that she will have enough "helpers" to make the sale the best ever? It is not too late to do either so please join in.

There will be a new PICTURE EXHIBITION in The Music Room from December 7, 1982, entitled BARTLETT'S IN CANADA.

Have you seen the CHRISTMAS TABLEAUX that Jean Gray and Joan Watson have on display in "the slype"? The ball gown is in The Grange slide collection of costumes, and the original gown is part of the ROM collection.

The original gown was brought from England as part of Lady Robinson's trousseau. It is made of silk "gauze" with bands of gold, woven in like a border print. Some of the bands were cut leaving an edging, of material which was turned over to make a very fine trim on the edge. The whole seems to be backed with paper and then feather stitched, on the neck, sleeves and waist of the gown. The toys are from the private collection of Douglas Jarvis, Grimsby. Mr. Jarvis is a noted toy collector, and has kindly lent the toys for our exhibit after December 9, 1982.

Mary Holford, Curator of Textiles, of ROM provided much information on the gown.

Joan Watson, assisted by Barbara Snively, is responsible for the lovely display, and Jean Gray adapted the gown. The above information was supplied by Jean Gray.

Jane Dodge would like to remind all volunteers to be sure to have a Grange name tag to carry with them so that they can get into The Grange. If you do not have a name tag please contact her.

Kae Fogden will give a "Christmas in The Grange" tour on December 16 at 5:30 p.m., as part of the Art & Aperitif series of The Gallery.

The ROM has arranged a new series of the popular CANADIANA LUNCHEONS. Tours beginning January 26, 1983. For details call 978-4291.

A repeat series of lectures on THE ART OF WILLIAM BLAKE at the Jackman Hall on Tuesday afternoons, will be offered from January 11 to 25, 1983. They are from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The first course was over-subscribed and so Francis Broun is repeating them for all those who were disappointed the first time, when they could not get tickets.





The following are two books that some volunteers might enjoy reading.

Donald Blake Webster - Curator, Canadiana Dept. ROM, Assoc. professor of History of Art, University of Toronto. English furniture of the Georgian period. This was a best-seller when it was first published in 1979. It includes an illustration of the desk which was made for the Duke of Kent, Queen Victoria's father, while he was stationed in Quebec in the 1790's. Publ. by McGraw-Hill Ryerson Ltd.

Burton, Elizabeth. The Georgians at home: 1714-1830. Illustrated by Felix Kelly. Longmans, Green and Co. Ltd., London. 1967. Margaret Danby calls this book her "Bible", and what better recommendation can one have for a book crammed with information. The Public Library call number is 914.2037 BUR.

Please remember that this is one of the busiest times of the year, and it is hoped that everyone will make a special effort to come on their regular day. Especially between Christmas and New Year's.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE!

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